Network+ 2012 Introduction

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**001 Nick Flores: So, welcome to the certification prep course for the CompTIA Network+ certification exam. This course is meant to be a review course and supplemental study course for the CompTIA Network+ certification.
So in this module, we're going to talk a little bit about the objectives of this course as a whole, and the exam itself and what to expect on it.
Course Objectives

Intent

• Provides a review of the Network+ domains
• Supplement preparation for the Network+ certification exam

Domains

• Network Concepts
• Network Installation and Configuration
• Network Media and Topologies
• Network Management
• Network Security

Introductory level exam

• Focuses on fundamentals of networking hardware and
• Very detailed

**004 So the intent of this course is to provide a review of the Network+ domains. There are five domains covered in the Network+ exam, and we're going to, at length, review each one of those and go into various topics involving those. This course is meant to be a supplement for preparation for the Network certification exam-- the Network+ certification exam. It is by no means meant to be an all-encompassing boot-camp-type course. Don't expect to sit in the course for two or three days and then have everything you need to have in order to go pass the Network+ exam, but it is meant to be a very solid, very strong, very
comprehensive preparatory course for the exam content. It does not teach to the exam, it does not exam questions, but it does cover all of the objectives of the exam at length.

So, the exam is broken up into five domains. They are networking concepts-- basic networking concepts; installation and configuration of networking hardware devices; networking media and topology-- the endpoints, the connectors and the wiring topologies used for networking. We're going to talk about networking management and management devices, and networking security.

The exam is an introductory-level exam. It is not considered a higher-level exam. But it does focus on the fundamentals of networking itself. It is very detail-oriented, so you will see a lot of questions on there that use examples in the problems. It is not meant to be an expert-level exam, if you will, but it is very all-encompassing regarding networking technologies.
**005 So there is a gap area here. Obviously there's the entirety of networking knowledge; there's a subset of that, which is what we'll learn in this course, having to do with an overview of networking knowledge; and then of course there's a subset of that, which is the exam criteria itself. It is strongly recommended that you use other sources of information in preparation for the exam, whether they be a textbook, other webinars, study guides on the internet. Other preparation sources will help you fill that gap between what we're going to learn here and the exam content itself.
**006 So, a little bit about the exam. There’s 100 questions on the exam. It’s normally administered via computer. They’re all multiple choice, and you have 90 minutes to take it. You have to score a minimum of 720 out of a maximum of 900 points-- that’s 80 percent-- in order to pass the exam. And CompTIA does provide a document--a screenshot of that document is shown on this slide-- to help you get an overview of the objectives of the exam. You can download this from the CompTIA website. It’s important to understand though that this document will not help you pass the exam. There’s no exam content on this document. But it does help you...
focus your studying in the areas that you may feel weakest. It gives you a breakdown of the concept areas and how they're weighted in the exam, how much each one will count towards your score, so that you can find the areas that you may be a little weaker in and use this objective guide to help you focus on those particular areas. It also provides information related to the exam, like how many questions and how long you have to take it, like we've covered here.

Summary

Course Objectives

About the Exam

**007 So in this module we've talked a little bit about what we're going to learn in this course. It'll
break down in detail, obviously, as we move on. And we've talked a little bit about the exam itself. Do we have any questions about the exam or the course objectives before we move on?

**Notices**

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